

**LET JESUS
PILOT YOUR
JOURNEY!**



Want To Have A Happy New Year

A Look At The Beatitudes

Matthew 5:1-12
Midweek - December 31, 2008, Pastor Bob
Tonight... Verse 5:3

Matthew 5:3 **Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.** (The Words of Jesus)
Notice the First Two Verses... What is the Setting?

What Is The Meaning of “Blessed”?
Why Are These Statements Called “Beatitudes”?

Would You Really Like To Have A Really Blessed Future??

The First Prerequisite Jesus Gives Is for The “Poor In Spirit” What Does That Mean??

- In What Way Does Luke Express This? Luke 6:20... Isaiah 61:1; Luke 4:18
- “Poor in the spirit” Do These Scriptures give you any help???
- About our opinion of ourselves? Matthew 18:4; 23:12; James 4:6,10...
- About our condition before God? Romans 3:23; 6:1,2, 23; 1John 1:7-9
- About where our dependence should be? Philippians 3:9
- About our willingness to submit to God’s plan of salvation? Ephesians 2:8-10
- About our willingness to “bloom” where we are planted? Philippians 4:10-13
- About our willingness to do... go.... give... serve.... ? Isaiah 6:5-13; 1Corinthians 9:19; Ephesians 6:5,6

How Do These Perspectives Contribute To An Ongoing Happiness??

Here Are Some Other Scriptures That Reveal Some Prerequisites To “Happiness”

- Blessed is he... Luke 7:23
- Blessed... Luke 10:23
- Blessed is that servant whom when the Lord comes... Luke 12:37, 38
- Blessed is she that... Luke 1:45
- Blessed are they that hear... Luke 11:28
- Blessed are those who give when... Luke 14:12-14
- Blessed are they that have not... John 20:29

What Does Jesus Mean by... “theirs is the kingdom of heaven”??

This Is A New Way of Living.... Comes From a New Way of Thinking....

And That Comes From A New Life In Christ....

AND THAT LIFE RESULTS IN TRUE HAPPINESS AND JOY!!

ARE YOU ON THAT PATH??? NOW IS THE TIME. HAPPY NEW YEAR!